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SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESS SUMMARY MARCH 12

1. CYPRUS. A TASS REPORT IN PRAVDA NOTES THE SECRETARY'S TALKS WITH IRMAK AND ESENBALL IN ANKARA. SEPARATE TASS ITEM QUOTES CYPRUS AKEL NEWSPAPER THAT THE KISSINGER VISIT IN ANKARA HAS AS ITS GOAL PREVENTION OF A SOLUTION OF THE CYPRUS PROBLEM BY MAKARIOS WITHIN UN FRAMEWORK. ANOTHER CYPRUS PAPER (PHILELEFTEROS--PHONETIC) REPORTED AS SAYING THAT U.S. AIM IS NOT A JUST SOLUTION OF CYPRUS PROBLEM, BUT RATHER RESTORATION OF SHAKY NATO POSITION IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN. PRAVDA SIGNED COMMENTARY TAKES FACT THAT NAC SESSION WILL NOT BE HELD IN ANKARA IN MAY AS EARLIER PLANNED AS FURTHER EVIDENCE OF TURKISH DISCONTENT WITH NATO. ALSO NOTES THAT TURKEY HAS REFUSED TO PARTICIPATE IN NATO MANEUVERS NOW UNDER WAY.

2. MIDDLE EAST. ISZESTIY A CARRIES FULL TEXT OF THE COM-MUNIQUE OF SUPREME SOVIET GROUP VISIT TO JORDAN. IZVESTIYA CARRIES A CARTOON SHOWING U.S. NAVAL VESSELS IN THE INDIAN OCEAN SERVING THE "OIL INTERESTS" OF THE U.S.

3. PORTUGAL. TASS REPORTS IN PRAVDA "ARMED COUP ATTEMPT BY REACTIONARY FORCES DEFEATED." REPORT EMPHASIZES THAT THE ARMED FORCES MOVEMENT REMAINS IN FULL CONTROL. THE ARTICLE STRESSES THAT THE PORTUGUESE COMMUNIST PARTY AND INTERSINDICAL HAVE CALLED ON THE POPULATION TO SUPPORT THE "LEGAL GOVERNMENT" (SEE SEPTEL).

4. ASIA. IZVESTIYA, PRAVDA AND RED STAR ALL REPORT AN OFFICIAL NORTH KOREAN STATEMENT THAT THE USA IS RESPONSIBLE FOR AN INCREASE IN TENSION IN KOREA AND HAS VIOLATED THE KOREAN TRUCE. PRAVDA NOTES IN THIS CONNECTION THE SCHLESINGER STATEMENT THAT U.S. HAS INCREASED TROOPS IN SOUTH KOREA BY 4,000 TO 42,000 IZVESTIYA REPORTS THAT INITIATIVE IN BATTLE FOR PHNOM PHEN REMAINS IN THE HANDS OF THE "PATRIOTIC FORCES," AND NOTES A FURTHER SHAKEUP IN THE MILITARY AND CIVIL ADMINISTRATION OF THE CITY. PRAVDA NOTES HOUSE COMMITTEE HAS APPROVED FOREIGN AID BILL WHICH DOES NOT UNCLASSIFIED

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CONTAIN ADDITIONAL \$522 MILLION REQUESTED BY THE ADMINISTRATION FOR AID TO SOUTH VIETNAM AND CAMBODIA. RED STAR REPORTS GROWING PUBLIC CONCERN IN AUSTRALIA OVER U.S. MILITARY PRESENCE THERE. IZVESTIYA CARRIES LENGTHY COMMENTARY IN COMMEMORATION OF 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF DEATH OF SUN YAT SEN (SEPTEL).

5. CSCE. PRAVDA SIGNED REPORT FROM GENEVA CONTINUES TO

PAINT OPTIMISTIC PICTURE OF CSCE SECOND STAGE PROSPECTS, NOTING THAT WILSON VISIT TO MOSCOW AND GROMYKO-KISSINGER MEETING IN GENEVA HAVE PROVIDED FURTHER IMPULSE TO COMPLETION. REPORTS NOTES SWEDISH PROPOSAL FOR WORKING GROUP FOR THIRD STAGE WAS SUPPORTED BY SOVIET DELEGATION. REPORT NOTES THAT IN BASKET III WORK CONTINUES ON LANGUAGE ON JOURNALISTS' ACTIVITIES, AND SAYS THAT MOVEMENT IN BASKET IV HAS FINALLY BEGUN. ANOTHER PRAVDA COMMENTARY IS DEVOTED TO PAMPHLET ISSUED BY BRUSSELS SECRETARIAT OF THE INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE FOR EUROPEAN SECURITY AND COOPERATION IN CONNECTION WITH THE SECOND ASSEMBLY THIS ORGANIZATION WILL HOLD IN BELGIUM THE END OF APRIL.

6. BILATERAL. IZVESTIYA CARRIES FAVORABLE ARTICLE ON TOUR IN U.S. BY LEONID KOGAN, A SOVIET VIOLINIST. AUTHORITY SIGNED COMMENTARY IN PRAVDA COMMEMORATING 30TH ANNIVERSARY OF V-E DAY DISCOUNTS CONTENTION IN BOURGEOIS LITERATURE, ESPECIALLY IN USA, THAT LEND LEASE PLAYED DECISIVE ROLE IN SOVIET WAR EFFORT. WHILE "GIVING THE ALLIES THEIR DUE" FOR AID, ARTICLE POINTS OUT THAT LEND LEASE PROVIDED ONLY FOUR PERCENT OF TOTAL WAR EFFORT MATERIEL. COMMENTARY ALSO POINTS OUT THAT EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED WAS OFTEN NOT WHAT WAS NEEDED NOR WAS IT DELIVERED AT THE TIME WHEN IT WAS NEEDED.

7. U.S. DOMESTIC. IZVESTIYA AND PRAVDA BOTH CARRY REPORTS ON RENEWED INVESTIGATION OF KENNEDY ASSASSINATION. IZVESTIYA SAYS THAT HOWARD HUNT OF WATERGATE FAME WAS PHOTOGRAPHED IN DALLAS TIME OF ASSASSINATION AND SAYS AMERICAN PRESS SPECULATING THAT CIA WAS INVOLVED. PRAVDA CARRIES REPORT FROM NEW YORK ON CONSTRUCTION OF THE TRANS-ALASKAN PIPELINE. ARTICLE IS GENERALLY FAVORABLE WITH ONLY SMALL DIG AT U.S. UNEMPLOYMENT. LIT. GAZ. IN FULL PAGE  
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REPORT ON U.S. ECONOMIC SITUATION COMPARES DETROIT IN 1930 WITH PRESENT-DAY DETROIT TO SHOW PARALLELS WITH GREAT DEPRESSION.  
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